

LEGAL NOTICE
DECISION NOTICE - GRAND
VALLEY SPRUCE BEETLE AND
SUDDEN ASPEN DECLINE
TREATMENTS.
USDA FOREST SERVICE
GRAND MESA, UN
COMPAHGRE AND GUNNISON
NATIONAL FOREST
MESA / DELTA COUNTY,
COLORADO
On December 8, 2011, Connie
Clementson, District Ranger for
the Grand Valley Ranger Dis
trict of the Grand Mesa, Un
compangre and Gunnison Na
tional Forest, signed a Decision
Notice/Finding of No Significant
Impact for Grand Valley Spruce
Beetle and Sudden Aspen De
cline Treatments. The decision
to implement Alternative 1 in
volves treatments. The decision cline Treatments. The decision to implement Alternative 1 in volves treatment on approximately 800 acres of spruce beetle affected stands and 240 acres of sudden aspen decline affected stands per year. The Environmental Assessment, Response to Comments and Decision Notice for Grand Valley Spruce Beetle and Sudden Aspen Decline Treatments are available on the website or by calling the Grand Valley Ranger District Office. (970) 263-5829. Appeals (including attachments) must be in writing and filed (regular mail, hand-delivery, express delivery, or messenger service) with the Appeal Deciding Officer (§ 215.8) within 45 days following the date of publication of the legal notice in the Grand Junction Daily Sentinel.

Inis decision is subject to administrative review (appeal) pursu ant to 36 CFR Part 215. Only persons or organizations which provided comments during the formal comment period are eligible to file an appeal. The appeal must be filed (regular mail, fax, email, hand-delivery, or ex press delivery) with the Appeal Deciding Officer at USDA FOR EST SERVICE, REGION 2, ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION, ATTN:APPEAL DECIDING OFFICER, 740 SIMMS STREET, GOLDEN, CO 80401-4720. Fax: 303-275-5134 to the attention of A p p e al s; E m a il: appeals-rocky-mountain-regional-office@fs.fed.us. The office business hours for those submitting hand-delivered appeals are: 8 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Electronic appeals must be submitted in a format such as an email message, plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), or W or d (.doc) to appeals-rocky-mountain-regional-office@fs.fed.us. In cases where no identifiable name is attached to an electronic message, a verification of identity will be required. A scanned signature is one way to provide verification. Appeals, including attachments, must be filed within 45 days from the publication date of this no tice in the Grand Junction Daily Sentinel, the newspaper of record. Attachments received after the 45 day appeal period will not be considered. The publication date in the Grand Junction Daily Sentinel, newspaper of record, is the exclusive means for calculating the time to file an appeal. Those wishing to appeal this decision should not rely

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The notice of appeal must meet the appeal content require ments at 36 CFR 215.14.

ments at 36 CFR 215.14. If no appeals are filed within the 45-day time period, implementa tion of the decision may occur on, but not before, 5 business days from the close of the appeal filing period. When appeals are filed, implementation may occur on, but not before, the 15th business day following the date of the last appeal disposition.

position. Published: December 9, 2011.